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Re: Revised Plans for Parking Lot at Worlds End

Date: January 11, 2017

Dear Boards,

I have reviewed the latest submission of plans and reports submitted regarding the parking lot at Worlds End. While I would prefer the original plan of 119 parking spots I am in agreement that reduction to 107 will still work because the infrastructure to improve traffic flow remains in place.

I am in agreement with the Traffic plans in general and would like to see a slightly more defined requirement for the Police detail planning and a required assigned park personnel to assist at the gate during these times. That plan should be in place for one year so we may monitor and measure the results. Based on that analysis we can make adjustments in the future.

One of the issue that I have spoken on before is we should not enter into agreements that rely on Police Details and additional parking personnel. Over the years I have seen so many of these fall through as the Police Department or the private agency fails to meet the requirement. It places an additional long term burden on the Police Department. The opportunity to correct the problem is in adequate planning of the project so that it operates efficiently on its own.

I believe the current plan to will resolve the immediate concerns of the neighborhood and adequately meet the needs of the Trustees of Reservation.

Respectfully,

Glenn A Olsson
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